

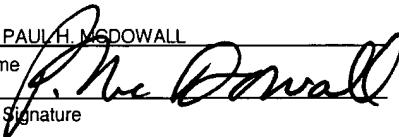
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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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TITLE: ADVANCED VALVE METAL ANODES WITH COMPLEX INTERIOR AND SURFACE FEATURES AND METHODS FOR
 PROCESSING SAME

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Assignment of the Invention to Medtronic, Inc.

Assignment cover sheet

Information Disclosure Statement

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This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application(s) Serial No.(s) 60/429,304, filed November 25, 2002.

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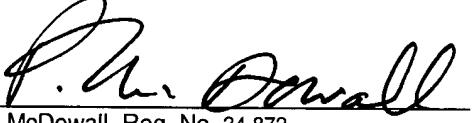
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